(c) and (d) Government of India is a Party to the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) that commits the Annex-I Parties (developed countries) to reduce their emissions of greenhouse gases to an average of approximately 5.2% below 1990 levels over the period 2008-2012. India is participating under the Clean Development Mechanism which is one of the three flexible mechanisms under the Kyoto Protocol. Under the clean Development Mechanism, a developed country can take up greenhouse gas reduction project activities in a developing country. India has so far accorded Host Country Approval to 599 projects and 220 of them have already been registered with the CDM Executive Board.

Environmental pollution in Chhattisgarh

†2799. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of districts of the Chhattisgarh where excessive environmental pollution has been found;

(b) the names of the districts out of them where the Central Environmental Pollution Control Board has conducted study regarding environmental pollution and whether it has submitted its report to the State Government; and

(c) the details fo suggestions given to the State Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) The districts of Raipur and Korba in Chhattisgarh have been identified as districts with environmental pollution by the Chhattisgarh Environment Conservation Board (CECB).

(b) and (c) Based on the survey undertaken by Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) and the State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) concerned, Korba District was identified as one of the critically polluted areas. As a result of the Action Plan prepared jointly by CPCB and SPCB thereof, several measures, including the ones for fly ash utilization have been initiated *vide* notification dated 14.09.1999. The implementation of the measures is monitored by Chhattisgarh Environment Conservation Board.

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